



ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

COMMISSIONERS OVER THE YEARS



1935-1939

Robert R. Moore, Birmingham, former president of the Alabama Federation of Labor; appointed by Gov. Bibb Graves.



1943-1947

William Emmett Brooks, Brewton, publisher of the Brewton Standard; appointed by Gov. Chauncey Sparks.



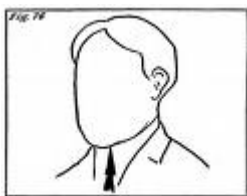
1947-1951

Raymond R. Wade, Tallassee, former president of the Alabama Federation of Labor; appointed by Gov. James E. (Big Jim) Folsom.



1951-1955

Ralph Burns, Birmingham, member of the United Steel Workers of America Local 2210, CIO, Ensley. At time of appointment, he had worked in the Accounting and Comptroller's Department of Tennessee Coal, Iron & Railroad Company for over 25 years; appointed by Gov. Gordon Persons.



1955-1959 Seeking picture.

Luther D. (Luke) Barnette, Cordova, former organizer for the United Mine Workers and former assistant commissioner; appointed by Gov. Big Jim Folsom.



1959-1963

Olin Brooks, Birmingham, United Transportation Union; appointed by Gov. John Patterson.



1963-1971

Arlis R. Fant, Birmingham; International Association of Machinists; appointed by Gov. George Wallace.



1971-1978

Howard Hendrix, Montgomery; Operating Engineers; appointed by Gov. George Wallace.



1978-1979

Mike Morgan, Montgomery, former assistant commissioner, former Alabama Department of Labor statistician; appointed by Gov. George Wallace.



1979-1983, 1995-1999

Jerry Ray, Linden, member, Paper and Allied Chemical Employees International Union, James River Paper Company; appointed by Gov. Fob James.



1983-1987

Allen Pate, Birmingham, former director, Birmingham Apprenticeship Training Program, United Brotherhood of Carpenters; appointed by Gov. George C. Wallace.



1987-1993

Robin Rea, Birmingham, United Steelworkers Local 12030, Alabama Gas Corporation; appointed by Gov. Guy Hunt.



1993-1995

A. G. (Ace) Trammell, Birmingham, former president, Alabama Labor Council; appointed by Gov. Jim Folsom, Jr.



1999

Barney Weeks, Birmingham, former president of the Alabama Labor Council; appointed by Gov. Don Siegelman.



1999-2003

James Barnhart, Florence; United Textile Workers representative; appointed by Gov. Don Siegelman.



2003-

Charles Bishop, Jasper, former state senator; appointed by Gov. Bob Riley.



2003-

Jim Bennett, Birmingham, former secretary of state, former state senator; appointed by Gov. Bob Riley.



Coal miners on tippie, Tennessee Coal & Iron Company, ca 1939, Birmingham (Birmingham Public Library).

Sources: Alabama Department of Archives & History; Alabama Department of Labor, Birmingham Public Library.